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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY UPPER HOUSE ELECTION RETURNS

1) PRELIMINARY AND UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS AS OF 8:00 A.M. AUGUST 31 LOCAL TIME, WITH APPROXIMATELY 33 OUT OF 50 PROVINCES AND MUNICIPALITIES REPORTING (INCLUDING SAIGON), SHOW LISTS OF PRO-GVN HUYNH VAN CAO, AN QUANG BUDDHIST-BACKED VU VAN MAU, AND UPPER HOUSE CHAIRMAN NGUYEN VAN HUYEN IN LEAD. NHAN XA-AFFILIATED THUONG VINH [illegible] CLOSE FOURTH, FOLLOWED [illegible]

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DO WELL IN II CORPS AND PARTS OF I CORPS, ALTHOUGH BULK OF I CORPS VOTE CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE HEAVILY FOR MAU.

2. AVAILABLE NATIONWIDE RETURNS ON LEADING CONTENDERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

HUYNH VAN CAO	732,359
VU VAN MAU	661,320
NGUYEN VAN HUYEN	581,243
TRUONG VINH LE	524,676
NGUYEN NGOC HUY	457,021

3. STILL UNOFFICIAL FIGURES SET NATIONWIDE VOTER TURNOUT AT 65.7 PER CENT OF THOSE REGISTERED, WITH II CORPS REPORTING HIGH OF 71.3 AND III CORPS RECORDING LOWEST PERCENTAGE AT 59.3.
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